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Crop Conditions Good

Crops remain in good condition despite unseasonably cool temperatures across much of the state. Precipitation totals were minimal except in North Idaho where up to 1.46 inches fell. The Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service reports farmers had an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Agricultural activities for the week ending June 27 included cultivating, irrigating, spraying weeds, and monitoring for disease.

CONDITION INFORMATION

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	2	14	63	21
Irr. Water Supply	0	0	3	25	72
Pasture & Range	0	0	15	57	28
Spring Wheat	0	0	12	65	23
Barley	0	1	10	67	22
Potatoes	0	2	21	68	9

CROP REPORT

Across the state the 1^{st} cutting of alfalfa is nearly three-quarters complete, while only 3% of the 2^{nd} cutting has been harvested. Some Eastern Idaho small grain fields are showing signs of earlier frost damage. Reports across Southern Idaho indicate grasshoppers are beginning to cause problems. Topsoil moisture

averaged 2% very short, 21% short, 74% adequate, and 3% surplus.

GRAIN PROGRESS

Percentages	Jointed	Booted
Winter Wheat		91
Spring Wheat	87	49
Barley	79	52

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES

	1999	1998	Avg
Oat Acreage Headed	36	_	
Dry Beans Planted	94	97	98
Dry Beans Emerged	83	72	87
Cherries Harvested	4	3	27
Potatoes 12" High	26	36	41
Potatoes Closing Middles	4	6	12
Winter Wheat Turning Color	8		

LIVESTOCK REPORT

Cattle and sheep remain in good condition. Pasture continues to be in good to excellent condition as ranchers move the last of their stock to summer range.

CROP PROGRESS REPORT PERCENTAGES FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 1999

Crop	North		Southwest			Southcentral			East			State			
Стор	1999	1998	Avg	1999	1998	Avg	1999	1998	Avg	1999	1998	Avg	1999	1998	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Headed	51	84	76	100	100	100	98	87	91	80	64	77	74	80	81
Spring Wheat															
Headed	8	25	21	90	93	91	77	39	58	11	8	18	26	20	32
Barley															
Headed	7	24	20	90	94	90	73	60	61	17	7	19	30	24	31
Potatoes															
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	99	99	99	95	89	92	96	93	95
Alfalfa Hay															
Harvested (1st cutting)	31	30	44	98	86	93	98	79	83	54	38	55	74	58	69

Avg (1994-1998); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District

Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, June 27, 1999 1/

		Tempe	rature ^{2/}		Grow	ing Degree	Days 4/	Precipitation (Inches)					
Station	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. 3/	40E Base	50E To Date	Base Normal	Total	Dept ^{3/}	Month of June	Mar To Date	ch 1 Normal	
North													
Lewiston	81	47	64	-5	1504	643	752	0.92	0.71	1.51	4.72	4.70	
Sand Point	74	43	58	-4	970	320	356	1.46	1.00	2.06	10.26	9.60	
Southwest													
Boise	89	47	67	-3	1565	750	677	0.00	-0.13	0.50	3.18	4.36	
Caldwell 5/	88	45	67	-4	1599	732	863	0.00	-0.15	0.17	0.51	3.58	
Mountain Home	93	43	67	-3	1458	700	648	0.00	-0.11	0.60	1.93	3.43	
Parma	91	45	69	1	1649	774	683	0.05	-0.12	0.71	3.44	3.87	
Weiser	91	51	71	2	1636	784	699	0.03	-0.12	2.13	3.83	3.71	
Southcentral													
Buhl	92	45	67	0	1345	615	478	0.00	-0.08	0.73	3.75	3.60	
Burley	91	44	67	1	1474	703	476	0.07	-0.04	0.60	4.69	3.76	
Hill Čity	83	33	56	-4	740	254	224	0.00	-0.17	2.28	4.55	4.11	
Hagerman	97	40	67	-4	1318	578	864	0.00	-0.05	0.31	2.13	3.27	
Malta 5/	90	37	63	-4	1156	498	496	0.00	-0.12	1.18	4.68	3.87	
Twin Falls	90	40	65	0	1198	522	443	0.00	-0.11	0.55	3.97	3.96	
East													
Aberdeen 5/					985	380	351	0.00	-0.13	0.27	1.66	3.70	
Grace	86	34	61	0	923	350	271	0.00	-0.31	1.39	7.52	6.02	
Idaho Falls	88	38	61	-3	1030	392	373	0.05	-0.16	1.03	6.19	4.38	
Malad City	87	45	69	5	1305	585	412	0.00	-0.18	0.90	2.68	5.48	
Pocatello	89	36	64	-2	1094	442	439	0.03	-0.10	0.86	5.62	4.78	
Rexburg	84	39	61	-2	922	346	326	0.14	-0.00	2.19	8.18	5.65	
Salmon	84	37	61	-2	1031	388	399	0.00	-0.39	0.81	1.19	4.61	

^{1/} Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/ -- indicate missing or incomplete data 3/ Departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.

Daily High/Low Four Inch Soil Temperatures

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Station	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Aver	rage ^{2/}
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Buhl	89	67	80	64			85	66	80	60	73	62	78	56	81	63
Emmett	90	73	78	68	80	68	82	68	80	71	81	69	80	68	82	69
Parma	82	71	78	70	79	69	81	68	79	69	79	68	77	67	79	69
Sandpoint	67	60	61	57	61	57	65	57	62	58	58	53	61	52	62	56
Twin Falls	83	62	72	60	69	60			76	58	74	58	76	58	75	59

^{1/} Eight Inch Reading. 2/ Averages are only for days reports were received. -- Missing or Incomplete Data.